element (1,2) of the matrix equals λ_2. Once constructed, the traffic matrices are used to compute the provisioning routes (e.g., paths), for each non-zero element of those matrices, and the computed paths are pinned down using multi-protocol label switching (MPLS) for Diffserv networks or multi-protocol lambda switching (MPλS) for optical networks.

Page 6, after equation (4), please insert the following paragraph:

--V represents the total amount of bandwidth of accepted flows, and W represents the total amount of bandwidth of all flows.--

Page 16, please replace the second full paragraph with the following paragraph:

Accordingly, in the next step S21, M is defined as the subset of those already accepted (i.e., during the previous $i-1$ steps) quadruplets $T(1), ..., T(i-1)$ for which the following two conditions hold true. First, the bit $[r_j]b_j$ of quadruplet is TRUE and the path SPA(j) thus can be altered. Second, all links e in Q belong to the path SPA(j): $Q \subset SPA(j)$. Therefore, if the bandwidth reservation for r_j of the quadruplet T(j) for its path SPA(j) is removed, the available bandwidth at each link e in Q increases by r_j. Since the ith flow requires bandwidth reservation of $r_i \leq r_j$, this increase is sufficient for accommodating the ith flow using its path SPI(i).